

**Minutes of the 2001 IJCA World Council Meeting
Yacht Club Italiano
Genoa, Italy
24 November 2001**

Members Present:

Geoff Evelyn (IJCA-President)
John Peck (Technical Committee Chair/IJCA – Executive Director)
John Adams (Council of Honour)
Nadine Franczyk (Treasurer)
Francesco Ciccolo ITL
Robin Eagleson – IRL
Rudy Wolfs – CAN
Bob Turner – GBR
Marianne Schoke - SWE
Jim Farmer – USA
Antoine LeMaistre - FRA
Nobuo Nakazawa – JPN
Nobert Masch – GER
Remco Vandenberg – NED
Erwin Linthout – SUI
Victor Maldonato – MEX

Observers:

Stuart Jardine – GBR
Takeshi Kurihara – JPN
Paolo Boido – JBoats Italy
Jan Mohr – GER
Evert Kroll – NED
Laura Maldonato – MEX
Eros Angeli – ITA
Hauke Kruss (IJCA Technical Committee)

Regrets:

Donald Manasse (Vice Chairman)

Welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked the Italian Class and particularly Francesco Ciccolo for hosting the meeting and providing the dinner hosted by the Italian class.

Meeting called to order

The Chairman noted quorum of over 5 member countries

Proxies

- Bob Turner – Australian proxy
- Francesco Ciccolo – Monaco proxy
- Argentina, Caymen Islands & Peru – proxy's received after allowable timeframe.

Votes

- Number of votes for each NJCA represented was noted to be one except for the USA-JCA which is allotted 2 votes
- John Adams – no vote
- John Peck – no vote

Review and Approval of Minutes for 2000 World Council Meeting

- The Netherlands had a question with regard to item in paragraph 3. Explanation provided
- The Chairman allowed that we can deal direct with Paulo per Jeff Johnstone's conversation and memo to UK Class
- The Chairman suggested that the Executive Director have a conversation with JBoats regarding the European dealership issue. Donald Manasse, the Vice-Chairman will check on legality of dealership program within the European Union. There were no objections to this.
- Paulo Boido mentioned that the current dealer system makes it extremely difficult to sell boats.
- Stuart Jardine reiterated the monetary issue regarding viability of purchasing boats.
- Remco Vandenberg questioned item #12 regarding clarification of assistance with NJCA's for Medemblik Worlds. The Chairman reiterated that the IJCA will assist helping with communications.

*Francesco Ciccolo moved that the minutes be approved with above notations. Jim Farmer seconded. **Motion Carried**

The Chairman mentioned thanks to Wayne Clough for his service.

John Peck is acting Executive Director of IJCA. The decision of appointment will be based on constitutional changes approved at this meeting.

John Peck gave a history of the Executive Director's position and difficulties in not having adequate financial accountability since 1995 that has resulted in the separation of IJCA and USA-JCA offices.

Measurement Certification

It was proposed that all NJCA's have the IJCA Measurement Certificates issued through the IJCA office, by submission of the standard measurement forms printed in the Rule Book.

- Marianne Sckoke reiterated her difficulties since her database of certificates had crashed. This would help her as well.
- Francesco Ciccolo stated that he has measurement information from seven recognized measurers. He has support for each, approximately 460 boats. He has a time issue of getting copies from the Italian Sailing Federation.
- Haucke will help with the cross-country boat sales since measurers in the country of the boat purchase may not be known.
- Paulo Boido said new boats, in general, will not be measured at the factory, and asked for a procedure to be put in place.
- Bob Turner asked for clarification on requirement.
- The Executive Director indicated
 1. Builders certificate is issued, but the information has not always made it to the class office
 2. The class office can help facilitate the measurement process.

Bob Turner moved: An International measurement database will be maintained by the IJCA office. Francesco Ciccolo seconded. All approved, no nays.

*** Motion Approved:** An International measurement database will be maintained by the IJCA office. This includes builders certificate and ensuing measurement forms.

- John suggested that since we now have a measurement database, the IJCA should also maintain a membership database for cross reference. Measurement Certificates should only be issued to current IJCA members.
- Francesco said that the IJCA office should go back to the NJCA's to check membership. He disagreed with the IJCA office holding a membership database.
- Various countries discussed the pros and cons of this process.
- The Chairman asked if we could ask the NJCA's to submit a list of member names by December 31, 2001

Francesco Ciccolo moved: That an International membership database will be maintained by the IJCA Class Office. Seconded by Rudy Wolfs Wolfs. All approved, no nays.

*** Motion Approved:** That an International membership database will be maintained by the IJCA Class Office. Membership cards will be sequentially numbered so that each member will be identified by a unique number.

- Stuart Jardine asked that all communication/information from IJCA go directly to the NJCA's first, including all recognized class measurers communication regarding measurement.

BREAK – 10:30 A.M.

Website

- John Peck gave out examples of IJCA website formats for everyone to look at with members vs. nonmembers sections.
- Rudy Wolfs gave thoughts on their process of developing the website. In Canada being open was better to build membership.

Open Forum for ideas on Promotion & Development

- Rudy Wolfs gave techniques to building fleets, districts, etc., to help NJCA's
- The Chairman gave an example of local rule by Bermuda that all boats stay in the water and this has helped participation.
- Remco Vandenberg described his (Netherlands's) winter series
- Stuart Jardine described his club series, rotation of class regattas, calling oneness for participation, and helping children
- Robin Eagleson suggested targeting clubs that don't currently have fleets to add a start and they will bring boats. Two new fleets have been started from this.
- Bob Turner called for increased participation by organizations (universities, organized youth programs). He also suggested lending boats to juniors.
- Rudy Wolfs is keeping track of development ideas for the group.
- Francesco Ciccolo commented on the need for organized transportation of boats between three specific regattas to increase participation so that owners can come by car without having to move their boats between each of the locations. He suggested that a sponsor be found to help subsidize the trucking costs.
- Stuart Jardine said he would develop a basic ground up tuning guide for the new owner, not high level like the World Champion tuning.
- Remco Vandenberg said that combined with the equipment, the manufacturer should get enough funds together to have a J24 at a boat show. It would build interest in the used boat and membership basis.
- Rudy Wolfs shared ideas they implemented in Canada
 - Subsidize entrance fees for boats traveling more than 250 km.
 - Standard NOR's & SI's
 - Use of RC's who are experienced in J24 class racing
 - Canada will be trying a one day only weekend race series
- Antoine LeMaistre brought up the demand for used boats at a reasonable price
- Paulo Boido asked that the IJCA assist in an advertising and promotion strategy since builders can't afford to do advertising on their own.
- Rudy Wolfs said that Canada is now giving the option to members to automatically renew memberships on-line at 1/1 on their application to charge, unless they decide to notify the NJCA that they don't want to renew. He asked for all to contribute to knowledge base for the website on development.

- Francesco noted that the *International J/24*, again had an advertisement on the back cover for the J/22, even after asking at the last AGM that it not be allowed. He moved: That no advertisements for other classes be allowed in the magazine, and that photos of J/24's that were not within the rules not be published. Robin Eagleson seconded. All approved, no Nays

* **Motion Carried:** That the *International J/24* will not accept advertisements for other sailing class associations, and only photographs of legal J/24's will be published.

Royalty Tag Discussion

- John Peck reviewed the royalty tag situation and stated that royalty tag dollars are being misapplied, and that the money is going to the countries where the sails are sold, instead of where the sails are being used. He specifically noted that the largest sailmaker in the USA exported 20% of its sails to seven other countries, while the royalty fees were paid to the USA-JCA. John suggested that when the exported sails could be specifically identified, the royalty will be credited to the correct NJCA. This will be done for the year that ended 30th September 2001.
- John Peck proposed that all sail makers go directly to the IJCA, rather than to NJCA's, so that royalty fee will benefit the country where that the sail was used. He stated that the intent of the royalty tag program was for the mark-up amount to benefit the country of use, not the country of purchase. It may be seen as a use tax to support a national class office. Those who race or sail the most, pay the most.
- John Peck proposed a \$30 charge per tag, and that each country of destination will receive a credit for the difference (i.e. \$10 to IJCA and \$20 to each NJCA)
- Jim Farmer asked if purpose of tags was for copyright.
- The Chairman and John Peck reiterated no.
- Stuart Jardine explained issues regarding purchase of sails from other countries, and origin of tags. The UK has many small sail makers
- The Chairman proposed a pilot program for the next year in the USA with the largest sail makers, Quantum and North Sails. The sail makers will purchase royalty tags from the IJCA, and provide information as to the country code on the sails sold. \$20 per tag will then be credited to the account of the NJCA of final destination.

It was agreed that a pilot program would be carried out in the USA with the cooperation of North Sails and Quantum Sails. These two sail-makers will supply information on where the sails are sold and appropriate debits and credits will be granted to each country.

Constitutional Changes

The Chairman indicated that there was a need to update several sections of the IJCA Constitution. The proposed changes had been shared with the Executive Committee more than thirty days prior to the 2001 WC meeting, as required by the Constitution and also shared, by email, with each member nation at least thirty days prior to the 2001 WC meeting. Additionally each person at the meeting was given copies of the changes the previous evening. The Chairman asked if anyone had questions. A general discussion of all the changes took place. Minor

changes to the original proposals that were suggested and approved are incorporated in the “Proposed:” wording that follows.

Proposed Changes:

6. Annual Subscriptions and Fees

Current:

6.2 Subscriptions and fees for each calendar year are due and payable to the IJCA prior to March 1.

Proposed:

6.2 Subscriptions and fees shall cover the calendar year commencing on January 1, and ending on December 31.

Changes: Deletes a due date and specifies the period covered.

Reason: To clarify the period covered by annual subscriptions and fees.

*** Approved, 12 in favor, no Nays**

8. Management of the IJCA

Current:

8.1 The day-to-day affairs of the IJCA shall be managed by the Council assisted by a Technical Committee and by an Executive Committee.

Proposed:

8.1 The day-to-day affairs of the IJCA shall be managed by the Executive Director of the IJCA as prescribed by the Executive Committee.

Changes: Deletes “Council” and “Technical Committee”. Adds Executive Director

Reason: Formalises what has been done administratively by the Executive Director for the past several years.

*** Approved, 9 in favor, no Nays**

9.9 Annual Meeting of the Council

Current:

9.9.3 Appoint a Secretary who shall keep correct minutes of all Council meetings together with the IJCA Class Register and be responsible for communicating the decisions of the Council to all Members. An appointed Secretary shall not be a member of the Council.

Proposed:

9.9.4 In odd years, elect one of its Active NJCA appointed members or any Full Member, in good standing, of an Active NJCA to act as Finance Chairman for a period of two years. The primary responsibility of the Finance Chair is to be the liaison between the Executive Committee and the Executive Director to assist in the preparation of the annual budget, and to monitor any budget variances.

Changes: Renumber to 9.9.4 and delete the last sentence. Add elected position that was formerly appointed by the Executive Committee (see also changes to 10.6).

Reason: To renumber in logical order, change an appointed position to an elected officer, and define the responsibilities of the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

*** Approved, 10 in favor, one Nay**

Current:

9.9.4 Appoint a Treasurer who shall have charge of the funds of the IJCA, make sure disbursements as the Council may direct, keep an accurate record of the financial affairs of the IJCA and present a financial statement at each annual meeting or as requested by the Executive Committee. The Secretary may also be appointed the Treasurer.

Proposed:

9.9.3 Appoint a Secretary who shall keep correct minutes of all Council meetings together with the IJCA Class Register and be responsible for communicating the decisions of the Council to all Members.

Changes: Primarily wording, and renumber 9.9.4 to 9.9.3.

Reason: Renumber for logical order, delete the last sentence of (old) 9.9.4 to allow a Council Member to serve as Secretary. The Executive Director is the Treasurer as defined in New 10.4.2. See also changes for 10.1.

*** Approved, 11 in favor, no Nays**

Current:

9.9.5 Appoint a qualified auditor who shall examine the correctness of the accounts and certify the annual financial statement.

Proposed:

9.9.5 Appoint a qualified auditor who shall examine the correctness of the accounts and review the annual financial statement.

Changes: Replace “certify” with “review”.

Reason: A “review” is a cheap audit. There are adequate safeguards in place through the budgetary process, the role of the Finance Chairman, and approval of expense reports to provide adequate internal control of accounts, and therefore eliminate the need for a full-blown audit.

*** Approved, 10 in favor, no Nays**

Current:

9.9.7 An NJCA not represented at a Council meeting may assign a proxy to any other NJCA which is represented so that it can vote on its behalf in accordance with Paragraphs 9.2 and 9.4. This proxy must be in writing and received by mail, telex, fax or electronic mail and received by the representative and the Secretary of the IJCA and the Class Office no later than seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Proposed:

9.9.7 An NJCA not represented at a Council meeting may assign a proxy to any other NJCA, that is represented so that it can vote on its behalf. This proxy must be in

writing and received by mail, telex, fax or electronic mail and received by the representative and the Executive Director of the IJCA no later than seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Reason: To correct grammar, remove references to erroneous paragraphs and designate the Executive Director as the recipient instead of the Secretary.

*** Approved, 12 in favor, no Nays**

10. Executive Committee

Current:

10.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, the immediate Past Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Technical Committee and appointee of the Copyright Holder and three other council members, one of whom shall be the NJCA representative of the country hosting the next World Championship.

Proposed:

10.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, the immediate Past Chairman, the Chairman of the Technical Committee, the Finance Chairman, and three other council members (two of whom shall be elected by the World Council each year, and one of whom shall be the NJCA representative of the country hosting the next World Championship). The immediate Past Chairman is a non-voting member of the Executive Council.

Changes: Deletion of the immediate Past Chairman as a voting member, deletion of an appointee of the Copyright Holder, addition of the Finance Chairman, and to specify the make up of the other three council members.

Reason: The Executive Committee should be made up of current serving members of the World Council. It allows the input of fresh ideas and policies to be put forward and discussed without the pressures and biases of past administrations.

The Class has matured to the point where an appointee of the Copyright Holder is not needed within the Executive Committee to initiate or approve strategic policy. The Copyright Holder and the Designer, or appointees, still have the right to attend, as voting members, the World Council meeting. In addition the Designer, or an appointee, sits as member of the International Technical Committee.

The Finance Chairman is the liaison between the Executive Committee and the Executive Director, to assist in the preparation of the annual budget and to monitor any budget variances, and therefore needs to be part of the Executive Committee to provide input as to policy and direction.

*** Approved, 12 in favor, no Nays**

Current:

10.4.1, 10.4.2 and 10.4.3 Not in use (New Rules)

Proposed, NEW:

10.4.1 The Executive Committee shall appoint an Executive Director and shall set terms of compensation and remuneration for the Executive Director. The Executive Director shall report to the IJCA Chairman and Executive Committee as required herein.

10.4.2 The duties of the Executive Director are to maintain the files and correspondence of the IJCA, to edit and have published a biannual publication of the Class, to act as Treasurer of the Class and other such duties as the Executive Committee may from time to time prescribe.

10.4.3 The Executive Director shall not serve as a voting member of the Executive Committee or World Council.

Changes: Adds new subsections to 10.4 of the IJCA Constitution

Reason: Formalizes what has been in place for the past several years.

*** Approved, 12 in favor, no Nays**

10.6 Accounts

Current:

10.6.1 The Executive Committee shall appoint a Finance Committee Chairman who shall cause accounts to be kept giving full particulars of:

Proposed:

10.6.1 The Executive Director of the IJCA shall cause accounts to be kept giving full particulars of:

Change: Eliminates the appointed position of Finance Committee Chairman and specifies who has direct responsibility of the keeping of accounts and preparation and presentation of all financial activity.

Reason: Until now the position of Finance Committee Chair has been vacant, and the duties have been shared by the people in various other positions in the IJCA and the USJCA.

*** Approved, 12 in favor, no Nays**

Jim Farmer asked if the Technical Committee, under Sect 11 of the IJCA Constitution, is elected or appointed. The Chairman responded that it is appointed by the Executive Committee, and approved by the World Council, as needed.

*Rudy Wolfs moved: That all changes to the Constitution approved at the 2001 WC Meeting shall become effective immediately. Francesco Ciccolo seconded. All Approved, no nays

***Motion Carried:** That all changes to the Constitution approved at the 2001 WC Meeting shall become effective immediately

J/Boats Report

*See attached report

National Reports

Various NJCA's presented annual reports of their activities for inclusion in the minutes. Those reports shall be appended to these minutes.

General Discussion, Promotion of the Class

- Paulo Boido iterated that he has concerns regarding health of the class since he doesn't see much support from the class for the builders, and wants to see more attention on that front.
- Rudy Wolfs asked if there is someone who could find a Marketing Coordinator to put an evaluation together.
- A worldwide promotion was discussed. It was decided that each NJCA would provide a list of class members who would work to get the ideas together and summarize the information from potential Marketing/Branding companies. These lists will be submitted to the Executive Director by January 31, 2002, for overall coordination.
- ISAF has ruled that International Classes cannot enforce boat owners affix/advertise the class on the boats of an international class.
- Rudy Wolfs proposed to hold off on the sticker.

2002 Worlds Entries:

USA-JCA requested 2 additional spots at the 2002 Worlds in Kingston Canada for a total of 18 slots.

Rudy Wolfs indicated that the capacity at the Worlds, both ashore and afloat, was in the vicinity of 65 boats. A straw poll of anticipated attendees was conducted and approximately 73 entries at the outside may be expected based on the poll.

ARG – 3	IRL – 1	Past Champions – 2	AUS – 4	ITA – 3/5	Chairman - 1
BER – 2	JPN – 5	CAN – 20	MEX – 2/3	CHI – 1	NED – 2
FRA – 0	PER – 1	GER – 0/1	SWE – 1	GBR – 2/3	USA – 18

*Jim Farmer moved: That the USA-JCA be granted 2 extra positions at the 2002 Worlds in Kingston. Seconded by Francesco Ciccolo. **Motion Carried:** All in favor

Proposal regarding expulsion of Canadian helmsman

The Chairman proposed that Kevin Brown, a helmsman, be expelled from the International J/24 Class Association for unsportsman-like conduct at the 2001 Worlds in Japan. A submission will be made to the Canadian Sailing Federation to advise that he has been expelled (see rule 7.1 & 7.2) from the class pending receipt of 3rd party evidence (i.e. jury).

Rudy Wolfs asked that we ensure documentation is appropriate (crew and international jury at the Worlds)

*The Chairman moved: That Kevin Brown be expelled from the IJCA and that a report of the expulsion be forwarded to the Canadian Sailing Association. Seconded by Bob Turner.

***Motion Approved.** All in favor.

Discussion regarding 2001 European Championship

- The Chairman said that some IJCA jurors had mentioned that some masts did not include top black bands. Per ISAF, to be able to comply, we need to adopt ISAF Equipment Rules to be able to enforce black bands at the top.
- John Peck said that after telephone conversations with the measurers at the Europeans, it became apparent that Rule 2.8.1 needed to be amended to include the ISAF Equipment Rules.
- John Peck pointed out that Rule 9.2 had been overlooked at the Europeans, and must be followed to avoid controversy in the future. It was noted that a measurer recognized by the ISAF is not necessarily qualified to measure a J/24. He emphasized the time spent by the Technical Committee to develop the Measurement Manual, that is the primary tool and reference. If a measurer is not familiar with the MM, there are opportunities for misinterpretation. The Technical Committee will review the current list of “recognized” measures. Each NJCA was asked to submit a current list of active measurers for consideration and recognition.
- John Peck emphasized the importance of the Measurement Manual as a “living” document that is maintained and updated by Reid Stava. He referred to it as the “Bible or Torah” of the class, to be interpreted by the Technical Committee and/or a recognized measurer.
- Paulo Boido asked if he could have a copy as a builder. The MM will be available for electronic transfer.
- John Peck suggested that Rule 2.8.1 be amended:
 - Current:
 - 2.8.1 The method of measurement, unless otherwise stated, shall be in accordance with the recommendations of the ISAF.
 - Proposed:
 - 2.8.2 The method of measurement shall be in accordance with the IJCA Measurement Manual, or unless otherwise stated, in accordance with the recommendations of the ISAF and the ISAF Equipment Rules.

*Stuart Jardine motioned for the rule change, Bob Turner seconded. Remco Vandenberg – nay, all others – yes

The proposal will be included in the submissions to ISAF in August of 2002 for implementation in January 2003

- Francesco Ciccolo mentioned that at IJCA Technical Committee meeting held in Miami in 1998, a request was made to the Johnstones (J-Boats) to update the Builders Specifications/Drawings so they can be submitted to ISAF. This has never been done.
- Hauke Kruss referred to rule 3.1.3 as a guide to detect unauthorized alterations. He clarified how/if a boat has been measured by a recognized measurer.
- Remco Vandenberg had a Dutch measurer (ISAF, not IJCA approved) approve measurement that was later determined to be inaccurate in terms of the IJCA interpretations.
- Francesco pointed to Rule 2.7.1, to follow for IJCA measurement requirements.
- Bob Turner saw the keel, and aside from administrative problems, said we need to make sure that those owning boats need to be confident that whatever process we use, that any potential alterations are looked at by the technical committee within a finite time frame in order to be able to communicate ultimate findings to members. His personal worry was that this particular keel would result in oversized keels being produced, which would prejudice one design status.
- Stuart Jardine mentioned that he tried to measure the keel and he may not have had the appropriate information to be able to correctly measure the keel since it was not explained how to correctly measure the keel (he did not have a copy of the MM).
- Francesco Ciccolo mentioned that it is the responsibility of the owner to ensure that any modifications made to his/her boat are subsequently measured by a certified measurer to ensure the boat remains legal.
- Remco Vandenberg wants to ensure that information contained in the Measurement Manual is distributed appropriately and that the Technical Committee trains measurers.
- Stuart Jardine proposed an amendment to change the chart in Plan C of the Rule Book to reflect 12.5mm = ½ inch, used in templates by pin. He proposed that the Technical Committee review the table to determine if a change would be appropriate.
- John Peck said that all of the technical issues in question would be addressed at the Technical Committee meeting to be held in Miami, FL, USA on the 12th of January, 2002. A full report will be provided to the World Council prior to the next AGM.
- Remco Vandenberg asked the Technical Committee to instruct the group how to measure the leading edge of a keel.
- The Chairman asked that this be done off line after the meeting.

World Championship Discussion

The current rotation for World Championships are as follows: North America, Europe, North America, Europe, Other (South America or Asia), start over...

- The Chairman asked if group sees a need to change the rotation.
- Bob Turner suggested to plan a concrete schedule 3 years ahead and to have a 6-year tentative plan so that we can monitor the health of the class in the selected countries.

- Japan Worlds 2001 report reviewed by Takeshi (see attachment)
- Rudy Wolfs reviewed progress on **2002 Worlds in Kingston**. The event will be held at the 1976 Olympic site (no YC involvement). He also reviewed boat insurance options. NOR released on website: www.J24CAN.com/WORLDS
- Remco Vandenberg gave a progress report on the **2003 Worlds at Medemblik** and on the 2001 Europeans

2005 Worlds – Weymouth United Kingdom

- The Chairman – approval at this meeting will be for 2005 as requested by GBR class (normally 3 years ahead, but GBR believes they need the extra time to prepare)
- Bob Turner described area and sailing conditions (report is included as appendix) second week of September
- 2005 Worlds Proposal – Approved, no nays

2006 Worlds – Melbourne Australia

- Bob Turner reviewed Australian proposal (report included as Appendix)
- Melbourne
- The Chairman noted he received notice of intent
- Final vote to be held at next AGM meeting in 2002 however application provisionally approved pending final presentation.

European Championship Rotation

- Stuart Jardine mentioned the concerns of Michael Clarke from IRL regarding scheduling of Europeans in North vs. South.
- Stuart Jardine put a proposed schedule/rotation together:
 - 2002 – IRL
 - 2003 – South Europe (ITL)
 - 2004 – SWE
 - 2005 – FRA
 - 2006 – GBR
 - 2007 – South Europe (ITL or other)
 - 2008 – GER
 - 2009 – NED
 - 2010 – rotation back to IRL
- Should a new NJCA come in, or an existing NJCA fall out, the rotation will be adjusted. Proposals for Championships will be reviewed and approved at each World Council Meeting.
- The European NJCA's agreed to proposed rotation.
- Marianne Schoke reviewed proposal for Malmo to host the 2004 Europeans.
- Antoine LeMaistre reviewed Crouesty proposal for 2005 Europeans
- Robin Eagleson – 2002 Europeans preliminary notice submitted
- Francesco Ciccolo – 2003 Italy Porto Rotondo – asked for 4 days racing so they can have Italian Nationals back to back
- Jim Farmer reported on the Nationals and the Women's Open

2003 North American Championship – Mexico

- Victor Moldanato submitted a proposal for Mexico to host the 2003 North American Championship at Valle de Bravo, a lake in the mountains of central Mexico. There are over 100 J/24's on the lake; therefore charter boats will be no problem.
- North American NJCA's agreed to proposal. This will be the first North American Championship sailed outside CAN or USA.

Elections

- John Adams thanked all Executive Committee members for volunteering their time on behalf of the owners and sailors who benefit.
- Elections were held for the positions of Finance Chair, and 3 WC Executive Committee members. The 2002 IJCA Executive Committee is as follows:

President – serving 2 year term

Vice President – serving 2 year term

Technical Chair

Finance Chair

1st World Council Member Spot

2nd World Council Member Spot

3rd World Council Member Spot

Geoff Evelyn – Term expires 2002

Donald Manasse – Term expires 2002

John Peck (no vote as he is Executive Director)

Nadine Franczyk, nominated by Jim Farmer

Remco Vandenberg, nominated by John Adams

Bob Turner, nominated by Remco Vandenberg

Rudy Wolfs, as required by Constitution.

Publication of *INTERNATIONAL J/24* (The Magazine)

- The Chairman introduced the USA-JCA proposal to publish the magazine and asked that this be handled at the Executive Committee level.
- Stuart Jardine asked that the World Council review the proposal at the meeting.
- Jim Farmer gave a presentation, including the background of Eric Faust (Executive Director of the USA-JCA) to produce the magazine for a flat rate per issue.
- Francesco Ciccolo had two issues regarding publication to discuss:

1. the collection of information

2. advertising and promotion

This might be putting too much on John Peck's plate to include the magazine

- Marianne Schoke asked for a concrete time frame.
- John Peck emphasized that the magazine is an International publication that should communicate to the class about the World and Continental Championships, National Championships, with ongoing columns addressing technical issues, restoration of older boats, and biographies on past World Champions.
- John Peck said he felt he and Eric could together, and he was comfortable considering Eric on a contract basis, but not for a finished product. He stated that the IJCA must control production of the magazine, not the USA-JCA.

- Bob Turner proposed to let Eric try for a one-year period based on the proposal, with the guidance from the IJCA, and with editorial and documents to be approved by the IJCA.
- Stuart Jardine also felt the John might potentially be stretched too far to also do the magazine production.
- John Peck said he was hired to produce the magazine, and should be given the chance.
- Rudy Wolfs stated that we hired an Executive Director to publish *INTERNATIONAL J/24*, and we should let the ED decide how to best accomplish that goal.
- The Chairman suggested that we have IJCA ED publish the magazine with the assistance of USA-JCA ED by a flat fee
- The Chairman asked:
 1. Do we need to vote on the proposal or
 2. Should we have the Executive Committee work out the details?
- Rudy Wolfs reiterated that the IJCA ED should produce the magazine, and he should make the decision as to the proposal to contract with Eric Faust.
- No further discussion, John Peck will coordinate the publication of the IJCA Class Magazine.

Other:

- John Peck said that Jeff Johnstone has agreed to work with him to develop a “Hall of Fame” for the J/24. Jeff will look into the Mystic Yachting Museum.
- The World Council appreciates their offer and the IJCA ED will assist in establishing the criteria.

2002 WC Meeting Site:

- Francesco Ciccolo asked that the World Council meeting be held earlier than the usual November schedule, to allow time for review of 2003-2004 Rule Proposals. The ISAF submission deadline is in August, and the ISAF AGM will be in November.
- *The Chairman moved that the World Committee meeting be held in July, in conjunction with the 2002 World Championship in Kingston. Francesco Ciccolo seconded.

*Motion Carried: 2002 WC Meeting will be held at the end of the 2002 World Championship in Kingston, Ontario Canada.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Adams. Seconded by Francesco Ciccolo.